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## **MILAN BERGAMO AIRPORT RECEIVES NEW AIRPORT CERTIFICATE FROM ENAC ACCORDING TO EUROPEAN REGULATION N. 139/2014**

Today, 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2016, the Milan Bergamo Airport has received from ENAC the conversion of its Airport Certificate based on European Regulation n. 139 of 2014. This regulation establishes the technical requirements and administrative procedures for European community airports.

The new Certificate given to SACBO, management company of the Milan Bergamo Airport, certifies that the concessionary company's organisation, ground operations procedures and all the airport infrastructures and facilities comply with the requirements contained in the EU Community Regulation.

The Rome Fiumicino Airport was the first to receive the new version of this Certificate, referred to the European Regulation n. 139 of 2014. SACBO received it on the same day that it was given to the Venice Airport.

Since 2003, the 46 main Italian airports have been certified according to a national regulation, which recognised Annex 14 of the ICAO (*International Civil Aviation Organization*), designated "Aerodrome Design and Operations Regulation".

With the new EU Community Regulation coming into force, ENAC began the conversion procedures for the previous certifications with a series of discussion meetings between ENAC's professionals and officers of the management company, which lasted many months.

While the European Regulation provides for conversion of all Certificates by the end of 2017, ENAC moved quickly for five important national airports. In addition to Rome Fiumicino, Milan Bergamo and Venice, it's also expected that Milan Malpensa and Naples will be certified by the end of 2016, a year ahead of the regulatory provision.

*"We're proud to have completed the airport certificate conversion process,"* said Emilio Bellingardi, SACBO managing director. *"The recognition of the requirements established by the new European model are fully consistent with the operating results that have placed the Bergamo Airport firmly in third place in the classification of national airports."*

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